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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Yi Li; Colum O'Donnell; Hui Duan;  
Yanhong Wu; and Richard McAvoy

Application No.: 09/916,780

Group No.: 1638

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Examiner: Helmer, Georgia L.

For: METHODS FOR CONTROLLED AUTOMATIC EXCISION OF  
HETEROLOGOUS DNA FROM TRANSGENIC PLANTS AND  
DNA-EXCISING GENE CASSETTES FOR USE THEREIN

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**AMENDMENT; RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir,

This paper is filed subsequent to the Final Office Action mailed December 29, 2004 to which a response is due by March 29, 2005.

It is believed that this response is timely filed; however, should the fee be missing or any additional fees be due, the Commisisoner is authorized to deduct such fee from Edwards & Angell Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this document.

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